

LRA NEWS

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THE LEAGUE OF ROANKE ARTISTS P.O. BOX 20634 ROANOKE, VIRGINIA 24018

DECEMBER 2004

A GREAT YEAR FOR LRA!

Dear Readers,
It is hard to believe that it has been a year since I became editor of the LRA News and sent you my first issue, December 2003.

This issue, my seventh, reflects how much our organization has grown this past year. You will be reading about our largest and most successful Showcase ever, our large successful Retreat at Camp Alta Mons, our very new Website at www.leagueofroanokeartists.org and much, much more!

2005 Promises to be even better for the LRA and your new editor, Monica Schlagetter, will be keeping you informed.

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Thank you all for helping me with the LRA News,
Betty Hancock Bright



Happy LRA printmakers posed for this group photo the second evening of the retreat.



COVER WITH BLANKETS... AND ROLL THROUGH THE PRESS!

Barbara Norman Lashley shares her printmaking knowledge with eager LRA members. Paper is soaked, ink is spread, presses roll and art is made!



This years retreat was Oct. 29-31 at Camp Alta Mons in Alleghany, VA.

We learned and laughed and enjoyed the company of other artists. **Another retreat is scheduled for Sept.**

23-25, 2005. Plan now to attend!!

Special thanks to Janet Sachs for all her work planning this successful retreat.

Our printmaking successes...thanks to Barbara Norman Lashley!



Photos, thanks to Leslye Bloom (color) & Betty H. Bright (b & w).

APPLICATION FOR 2005 LRA MEMBERSHIP IS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER
DON'T FORGET TO FILL IT OUT AND SEND IT RIGHT AWAY!

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GALLERY CHANGES

LEWIS GALE GALLERY CONSULTANTS IN CARDIOLOGY

Remember to bring 2 small pieces of art (12x14) or smaller on this date...they sell better!

Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2005 from 10:00-12:00PM
Margaret DuBois-Coordinator 375-2976

BRAEBURN FAMILY PRACTICE

1930 Braeburn Circle Salem, VA.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2005 from 10:00-12:00PM
Brenda Cundiff-Coordinator 483-0817
Carol Montgomery-Coordinator 334-5768

THE CANCER CENTER Changed

Thursday, Jan. 20, 2005 4:00-5:00PM
Carol Frye-Coordinator 366-4410
Francis Boyd-Coordinator 774-2958



GALLERY GUIDELINE HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some highlights from the Rotating Committee's Guidelines. **Remember** to get a copy of the complete guidelines at the next gallery change!

1. *Work is not to be hung* in the galleries unless it is **delivered & registered on the specified gallery change date.**
2. *Work left over six months* will incur a **10.00 a week storage fee.**
3. *No sawtooth hangers...use picture wire* attached to **upper third** of frame back and **taught** enough so that art hangs as flush to the wall as possible.
4. *Place your name, title, medium and price on the back of your work...securely.*
5. *If you sell call your coordinator!* Get the **proper procedure** for your gallery. See you in the LRA NEWS!

Thank you to all of our LRA Coordinators for all their time and work maintaining these galleries!



NEW MEMBERS FOR YOUR ROSTER

The LRA warmly welcomes new members, if you have any questions about our league please call Nancy Stellhorn (540 297-3263) or Betty Hancock Bright (540 343-0054) we want to talk with you!

Linda Murray Atkinson
Marie Campbell
Rita Carroll
Elmer Moore Gist
Judy Lochbrunner
Joyce Sexton
Michelle Telfer

*If you would like phone numbers, addresses, etc., call me, 540 343-0054 and I will mail them to you. New **LRA Rosters** will be available the first part of 2005 and are available **for LRA Members only.** Betty HB*

2005
APPLICATION FOR LRA MEMBERSHIP
INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER!

Be sure to fill out your application and send it in right away so that we can make up our new 2005 Roster and mail it to our members.

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR E-MAIL???

The LRA can send you updates if we have your correct e-mail address...email me at hancockbettyart@hotmail.com
Thanks, BHB



LRA MEMBERS ART DOWNTOWN

DECEMBER, 1st thru 31st

ART IN THE WINDOW I
20 E. Church Ave.
DIANE STAVOLA

ART IN THE WINDOW III
27 W. Church Ave.
SUZANNE ROBERTSON

A grand success... SHOWCASE 2004

Bigger and better than ever, this year's Showcase 2004 Awards Reception was attended by our many supporters, LRA members and their families.



Dear LRA members,

Showcase 2004 was a tremendous success due to our very talented artists! I would like to extend my thanks and my congratulations to all of you for your participation.

Mimi Babe Harris, Gallery Coordinator for the Jefferson Center, told me that the reaction from the public was extremely positive and that she was very pleased with our show.

We had 34 awards this year and our judge, Ed Dolinger, told me that he would like to have awarded more! He spent over 5 hours looking at each and every entry before he could get his picks down to 34, to me that is a compliment to each and every artist!

Special congratulations go to Monica Schlagetter, Gina Louthian Stanley, Leslye Bloom and Mary Buck Bryant for selling their work in the show! Good job!



I would like to thank Betty Hancock Bright for her guidance and her sense of humor, Nancy Stellhom and Carol Bitner for all of their help and advice, Ann Stinnett and Lynda Calkins for their very generous donations of award ribbons, and Mary

Buck Bryant for tireless help in setting up the show. She did a wonderful job of art placement so that the eye traveled from piece to piece creating excitement and the desire to view the entire show!



I would like to also extend a big thank you to Robert Akers, Violet Penick, Ricky Nance, Betty Hancock Bright, Jane and Bill Haddad, Nancy McCrone, Dale Stellhom, Nancy Stellhom, Carol Bitner, and Tony Frye for hanging all of the art work.

The success of the Showcase 2004 is entirely due to the talent represented by The League of Roanoke Artists. This talent is what makes us all look forward to Showcase 2005 with excitement and a desire to see more!

Please join me in saying to all of our artists...WELL DONE!

Thanks, to you all,
Carol Frye, Chairperson,
The League of Roanoke Artists Showcase 2004

Showcase Awards



BEST IN SHOW
Leslye Bloom, *Gallery*, 3:00pm
Presented by LRA

NELL G. WILLIAMS AWARD
Peggy Brandt, *Dream Maker*

TINK EWALD MEMORIAL AWARD
James Underwood
Departing Roanoke

THE LEONA TREMPER AWARD OF DISTINCTION
Helen Hubler, *Iraqi Scream*

FIRST PLACE AWARDS

OIL/PASTEL
Suzanne LaPrade, *Rescue*
THE LITTLE GALLERY

PHOTOGRAPHY
Betty Hancock Bright, *Secret Code*
AMERICAN FRAME

MIXED MEDIA
Leslye Bloom,
Street Spam Ocho Rios
SOUTHERN GRAPHICS

ACRYLIC
Barbara Norman Lashley
A Moment of Quiet
GALLERY 108

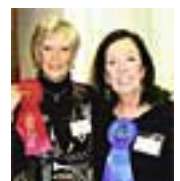
WATERCOLOR
Violet Penick, *Floral Delight*
THE STUDIO SCHOOL

OTHER MEDIA
Janet Sachs, *View from the Hillside*
FRAMES 'N THINGS, THE GALLERY

SECOND PLACE AWARDS

OIL/PASTEL
James Underwood,
Departing Roanoke
H. K. Holbein, Inc.

PHOTOGRAPHY
Susan Bidwell, *Horizon 2*
MIXED MEDIA
Carol Frye, *Coral Reef*
Anonymous Donor



Showcase Awards



SECOND PLACE

ACRYLIC
Kristen Bringewatt,
The Release of the dragonfly
ANONYMOUS DONOR

WATERCOLOR
Nancy Stellhorn,
Rustic Charm
CANSON, INC.

OTHER MEDIA
Sara E.K. Muse,
Botanica
ANONYMOUS DONOR



MERIT AWARDS

OIL/PASTEL
Gina Louthian Stanley,
New River Day
DIXON, HUBBARD & FEINOUR

PHOTOGRAPHY
REBECCA TALBOT,
Basket Weaver
ROANOKE BRANCH
THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF
AMERICAN PEN WOMEN

MIXED MEDIA
Agnes Stringfellow,
Tilting at Windmills
ANONYMOUS DONOR

ACRYLIC
Vickie Levin,
Dark Storm
DIXON, HUBBARD & FEINOUR

WATERCOLOR
Evie Robinson,
The Pumpkin Family
DIXON, HUBBARD & FEINOUR

OTHER MEDIA

Ginny Mitchell,
Tulips
DIXON, HUBBARD & FEINOUR



Judges Choice

HONORABLE MENTION



Betty Williamson,
Mama's Chair II
WILDFLOUR CAFÉ & BAKERY

Judith Coyle Bush,
Bird of Paradise
RITZ CAMERA



Myrtle Hooker,
Illumination
WILDFLOUR CAFÉ & BAKERY



Susan Egbert,
Transition
MONTANOS

Dorothy Doss,
A Quiet Place
BLUE FROG ART

Carol Bitner,
Distant Village
ANONYMOUS DONOR

Lois Bitner,
Early Snowfall
ANONYMOUS DONOR



Jerry McMillan,
Flower within a Flower
ANONYMOUS DONOR

Mary Buck Bryant,
Dandelions Reaching for the Sun
ANONYMOUS DONOR

Lynda Calkins,
Mooooover
ANONYMOUS DONOR



Ruth Frederick,
Terrace Triangles
ANONYMOUS DONOR

Jay Gordon,
Morning View Before Coffee
BLUE FROG ART



Congratulations
to all our
Award Winners!

To all our artists,
and to all of our
generous patrons,
The League of Roanoke Artists
Says,
“Thank You”

LRA CRITIQUES FOR 2005!

Everyone enjoys bringing their masterpiece to the LRA Critique...they are fun, friendly, and informal. We have a great time *and learn so much from an exchange of ideas with the other LRA artists.*



Bring as many pieces art, sculpture, or photography as you wish...you are only limited by how much you can comfortably carry!



We have critiques on the third Sunday of each



month. We will have the **Critique on January, 16th and February 20th at 3:00.**

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR "BAG ART" TO THE CRITIQUE ON FEBRUARY 20th @ 3:00!

Critique meetings are held on the second floor of The Blue Ridge Arts Council, 20 E. Church Ave., Roanoke City Market Area. (Enter first glass doors, ring bell, door will buzz open. Look for the elevator on your left, go to second floor. We'll see you there! Any questions, call Frank Murphy (540) 345-6497

REMEMBER... #A 414 !!!

This is an important number for members to remember...it means **money for the LRA!** American Frame sends us 5% of all orders from LRA members (and it really adds up). Money from these sales made a first place award available for Showcase 2004!



We have found out that to get this money we need to **tell them our number and that we are members of The League of Roanoke Artists,** that way we will be sure to **get credit for all** of our **LRA orders.**

Members can save up to 50% on custom quality frames. If you do not have a catalog you can order one call toll free 1 800 537-0944. You can check them out online at www.americanframe.com

HATS OFF TO THESE MEMBERS



James Underwood -Best in Show at the Bon Art Artists Assoc., Art on the Lawn, Richmond, VA.

Lee Penny Baker, Leslye Bloom, Mary Buck Bryant, Frances Boyd, Margaret DuBois, Julie English, Margaret DuBois, Geneva Flenor, Sue Egbert, William Hill, Myrtle Hooker, MaryAnn Grime, Carol Frye, Ginny Mitchell, Miki Overcast, Parvin Pejman, Dale Stellhorn, Nancy Stellhorn, Suzanne Sellars, Petie Stringfellow, and Betty Williamson for having their art featured in Art a la Carte.

Winning LRA Members in Showcase 2004 at the Jefferson Center.

Brenda Cundiff and David Meeks sold work at our rotating gallery at the Cancer Center.

A PERFECT STOCKING STUFFER!



Roll it, wrap it, stuff it! What could be a more perfect gift? Each shirt has the LRA logo. Available in Blue Christmas, Snow White, and Rudolph Tan!

Sizes, small, medium, large and extra large, at the low price of only \$12.00!

Call Ann Stinnett 725-5672 to order for Christmas!

OPPORTUNITIES AND THINGS OF INTEREST

Best of Virginia Artists and Artisans-Prizes awarded and winners will be featured in the book, Best of Virginia Artists and Artisans. Deadline May 25, 2005. Send SASE to Best of Virginia, P.O. Box 6876, Williamsburg, VA 23188 or e-mail, artbestof@yahoo.com

Mill Stone Gallery has opened in Fincastle, across from the courthouse. Gallery hours are, Wed.-Sat. from 11:00am to 7:00pm.

Studios on the Square presents Joni Pienkowski, Lascaux to Matisse, Nov. 2, thru Dec. 31.

The Bank of Botetourt features an artist of the month at each of their five branches. You may contact Michelle Alexander, call (540) 966-3850 or e-mail, malexander@ban.kkkkofbotetort.com **Blue Ridge Public Television** needs art for their new lobby. They will feature work by one artist at a time. Contact Barbara Spenser, (540) 344-0991.

Dorothy Doss is offering private art lessons, ages 7-100, in her studio. Call 890-1659 for information.

More LRA News on the next page

IT'S IN THE BAG! WHAT'S IN THE BAG? LRA BAG ART!

Did you get a bag at the LRA Annual Meeting on Sunday, Nov., 21st? Small bags were there with different items in each. Whether you chose a bag or not it will be **interesting & fun for everyone to see** the creations of the fertile **LRA ARTIST'S MIND**.

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MORE ABOUT OUR FLATS



Many of you have asked about the size of the flats. I have measured them and they are 37" wide and 67" tall. If you are concerned about whether they will fit in your car call me...members with vans, etc. have expressed a willingness to help other members that might be setting up for the same show.

Call to make sure flats are available. There is a clip board with a sign in/out sheet inside the storage area. The fee is still only \$5.00 per flat for members. Call Betty Hancock Bright for details. (540) 343-0054.



**WE'RE DIGGING UP
INFORMATION!**



**WHAT DO YOU
KNOW?**

We are compiling a History of *The League of Roanoke Artists*. We want to know and record everything we can about the LRA from the beginning!

Were you an early member? Perhaps you would like to write down the things you remember or would you like to reminisce about the League while another member takes notes? Do you have any photos or articles from our past? Brochures from early shows?

Any information is wanted and gladly accepted!! Call Nancy Stellhorn 540 297-3263

\$\$\$ ITEMS FOR SALE! \$\$\$

Metal Display Panels- 9 panels, 3'x6'. Each panel breaks down to 2 pieces for easy handling. Removable Grey cloth covers. Fits 10'x10' space. Contact Marie Smith. Call (276) 236-4209

Ruth Frederick has a large number of **items for sale** some of which are listed below:

Large outdoor umbrella for outdoor painting, Wood flat file with 6 drawers, watercolor papers, pastel papers, charcoal papers and printmaking papers. Illustration boards. Art Books

Call Ruth for more items and details (540) 774-0415

